HONORING GROUND ZERO FIRST RESPONDER AND FIREFIGHTER WILLIAM QUICK

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Mr. William Henry Quick, a retired firefighter who worked for two months at Ground Zero and who passed away of lung disease on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at the age of 55. Mr. Quick worked for Ladder 134 in Far Rockaway, Queens, and lived on Long Island.

Mr. Quick worked for the FDNY for almost half of his life and did not hesitate to leave his vacation and rush to Ground Zero after the 9/11 attacks. He worked there from September 12, 2001 and only stopped two months later when he hurt his knee while working through the rubble. He returned to work in January of 2002 but developed a series of lung infections, which ultimately forced his retirement in January of 2003.

Mr. Quick is a hero in every sense of the word. He worked at Ground Zero without questioning the risks to his own health. He spent his whole adult life in public service working for the FDNY. He leaves behind his wife, Lisa, and twin 17-year-olds Ryan Mary and William Henry II. I grieve for them and want them to know that their sacrifice will not be forgotten.

RECOGNIZING THE UC DAVIS LEED PLATINUM-CERTIFIED RESEARCH AND TEACHING WINERY AND THE AUGUST A. BUSCH III BREWING AND FOOD SCIENCE LABORATORY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the University of California, Davis, on the occasion of the grand opening of its world-class, LEED Platinum-certified research and teaching facility focused on food science, wine, and brewing.

Among its distinctions, UC Davis is the world's leading research and teaching center for agriculture, food science, and viticulture and enology. UC Davis research and teaching has developed an international reputation and strength in agriculture, and food, dairy, and wine production.

With the LEED Platinum brewery, winery, and food-processing laboratories, the Robert Mondavi Institute for Wine and Food Science at UC Davis fosters a new era of opportunity and environmentally sustainable economic development. This new complex will be self-sufficient in energy and water use, and contains numerous environmentally friendly features such as onsite solar power generation, and carbon dioxide capture. New food-processing, wine-making, and brewing laboratories will test production processes that conserve water, energy, and other natural resources.

Two of the Nation's leading academic departments related to food and beverage

science are situated at the Robert Mondavi Institute at UC Davis. The Department of Viticulture and Enology and the Department of Food Science and Technology will utilize the new state-of-the-art research and teaching facility.

Within the UC Davis College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, the Department of Viticulture and Enology has been the creator of grape-growing and wine-making knowledge that enabled the growth and success of today's wine industry, and has placed California and the Nation among the global leaders in wine production and quality. Wine industry leaders rely upon the department's research, expertise, and counsel.

Likewise, the Department of Food Science and Technology is internationally recognized for its advances in making food and beverages more nutritious, appealing, affordable, and safe. It is the only such department within the University of California and is the state of California's principal academic food science research group.

Technologies developed at UC Davis have been instrumental in making high-quality food and beverage products that feed the nationincluding dairy, seafood, vegetables, fruits, nuts, and beer. Food safety research has helped identify and eliminate contamination in handling and processing. Research on nutrients, antioxidants, and other food components are helping create more healthful foods for California and the world. Graduates of the university's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences are highly sought after nationally in the food processing, wine-making, and brewing industries. Its graduates form the foundation on which food and agricultural industries have developed, grown, and flourished.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, on the occasion of the grand opening of the UC Davis Research and Teaching Winery and the Anhenser A. Busch III Brewing and Food Science Laboratory, let us recognize UC Davis for its leadership and dedication to excellence in the area of the food, wine and brewing sciences. Please join me in commending the University of California, Davis, for its service to the people of California and the Nation.

HONORING THE BANGOR REGION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. MICHAUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce as it celebrates its Centennial.

Founded in 1911, the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce is one of the oldest such groups in the State of Maine. Originally founded as a merchant's association, the chamber assisted in developing trade relationships within the city. In the late 1980s, the merchant's association became regionally focused on the business interests of its increasingly diverse membership body. The organization today has continued to grow into one of the largest in the State, representing businesses from 21 communities in the greater Bangor area.

As a cornerstone of the Bangor community, the chamber is active in business development, advocacy efforts and community better-

ment programs. These programs seek out emerging business leaders, helping them foster networks to promote growth and working to empower entrepreneurs to create opportunities in these tough economic times. Additionally, the chamber sponsored seminars and leadership development trainings continue to have a major positive impact in the community.

As Americans continue working to get back up on their feet after the worst economic recession since the 1930s, the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce stands as a shining example of what community members coming together can accomplish. For 100 years they have led the greater Bangor community in promoting a favorable business environment conducive to generating economic growth and prosperity. I wish them the very best as they continue serving Bangor, the State of Maine and the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, please join me again in congratulating the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce on this joyous occasion.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, due to weatherrelated travel delays, I was absent from the House Floor during last night's rollcall vote on H.R. 292

Had I been present, I would have voted in favor of that legislation.

IN COMMEMORATION OF USAT "DORCHESTER"

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the brave individuals of the United States Army Transport *Dorchester*. While participating in a naval transport, on February 3, 1943, USAT *Dorchester* was attacked, sending 676 men to their graves in the icy waters of the Atlantic Ocean. On January 23, 2011, the Middletown VFW Post #2179 and Ladies Auxiliary will gather to commemorate the brave individuals who lost their lives on this tragic day. The honorable actions of the World War II soldiers are undoubtedly deserving of this body's recognition.

Previously a luxury coastal liner, the USAT Dorchester was converted into an Army transport ship and immediately called up for service in World War II. Departing from St. John's, Newfoundland on February 2, 1943, the Dorchester was filled to capacity, carrying 902 service men, merchant seamen and civilian workers on their way to an American base in Greenland. The ship's captain, Hans J. Danielson, was aware of the dangerous mission as he instructed the ship's crew to sleep in their clothing and life jackets. Traveling through the treacherous and chilly Atlantic Ocean waters, the USAT Dorchester was spotted on the morning of February 3, 1943 by a German submarine. Torpedoes were soon fired, striking the starboard side of the ship. The attack